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GOD USED ME

GOD DID IT SERIES

SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE

Week 1 God Heard Me [Jonah]

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God wants to get the glory out of your life. There is a way that God is going to use you that supersedes what you think. You are greater than a single stage, and greater than the 4 walls of a building,

Today we zone in on Paul's conversion in Acts 9. Ananias was used by God to assist Paul. There are people who will come forth after your encounter with them.

HOW GOD USED ANANIAS

- You do not need to be validated by others, continue to walk with God
- Stop seeking titles; stop fighting over power, position, and profit
- You don't need the platform, you just have to want God to get the glory out of your life
- You were saved to save someone else
- What God has done in your life was for the benefit of others
- Make sure you do what you do so that God can get the glory
- Everyone can't be the main person
- They may have the look but you have the oil

Who is God sending to get you? Who is waiting for you in the corner?

WHAT IS ON HOLD?

- Paul - 13 books on are on hold
- 67% of the New Testament is on hold
- 14 churches are on hold
- 3 missionary journeys are on hold
- Numerous counts of miracles are on hold

Who or what is on hold, waiting for you to answer God's calling?

WHO IS THIS MAN, ANANIAS?

Acts 9:10 a - In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias.

- Has a major assignment without a major title
- Your private preparations set you up for your public success
- The discipline of discipleship is your development

- Discipleship is the ultimate call
- I am a disciple
- God loves to use the likely and underestimated
- God will never forget what you did
- God wants to use you the same way He used Ananias
- Don't allow people to make you feel less than
- People can't come out until you show up

Who or what has God assigned you to? How are you handling the assignment?

HE ANSWERED

*Acts 9:10 NIV - In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. **The Lord called to him** in a vision, "Ananias!" **"Yes, Lord," he answered.***

- If you want to be used by God you have to answer
- You don't get to choose your assignment but you choose your answer
- Trust God enough to say YES LORD
- Your assignment will be a problem you are called to solve
- You are anointed for your assignment
- The assignment will be powerful but it may not be popular
- You cannot wrestle with people about what God assigned to you
- You can't opt out of playing your role because it's not important enough
- Live your life obeying God despite others perception
- God is specifically calling your name
- He answered before he knew the details of the call
- God does not call you to fail
- You have to go be who God created you to be

How do you handle a private assignment that is not popular? What is the difference between having an Ananias or Paul assignment? Why are both important?

HE WENT

*Acts 9:15 NIV - But the Lord said to Ananias, "**Go!** This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the **Gentiles** and their **kings** and to **the people of Israel.***

GOD HAS 3 GROUPS OF PEOPLE WAITING ON HIM

YOUR ASSIGNMENT IS TO A PEOPLE AND A PLACE

- No one can do what you do because they don't have your assignment
- When God sends you He reposition you
- Your calling to God is never convenient, it will cost you
- To 'go' requires faith
- If it seems insignificant it's still big
- Get over your insecurities and fears
- God has equipped you to go where He is sending you
- God is about to enlarge your territory
- You are going places you never imagined you would go
- The assignment is not about you but who God has in the room
- You're going to have to touch what you've been afraid of
- You will conquer everywhere God leads

How do you know that God has sent you?

HE TOUCHED

Acts 9:17a NIV - Placing his hands on Saul,

- Their is healing in your hands

What has God placed in your life that requires your touch that you have not laid hands on yet?

BENEFITS OF THE PHYSICAL TOUCH

- INSPIRES POSITIVE THINKING AND EXPANDS TRUST
- REDUCES ANXIETY AND STRESS
- BOOSTS IMMUNE SYSTEM AND LOWERS BLOOD PRESSURE

HE SPOKE

Acts 9:17b NIV - "Brother Saul, the Lord – Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here – has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

- God allows things to happen so He can get you
- God will send someone into your life that will restore your vision
- He did not call him by his past but by who God made him
- Release the Word

In your circle, who has God sent to restore you?

Proverbs 10:11 MSG - The mouth of a good person is a deep, life-giving well, but the mouth of the wicked is a dark cave of abuse.

- Be careful of who you allow to speak over you
- Do not allow darkness to speak into your destiny
- The oil placed on your life will allow your voice to be heard well after you are gone
- He broke him to make him
- What God spoke is about to be your reality

What are you speaking?

HE CHANGED

Acts 9:18-19 NIV - [18] Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, [19] and after taking some food, he regained his strength. Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus.

- You don't have to fight over the pulpit, the pulpit is where you are
- Be the Ananias to the people around you
- Be everything that God called you to be
- You shall recover all IMMEDIATELY
- Your obedience to God will change others lives:
 1. HE COULD SEE AGAIN
 2. HE GOT UP
 3. HE WAS BAPTIZED
 4. HE REGAINED HIS STRENGTH
 5. HE CHANGED HIS CIRCLE WITH THE DISCIPLES

How is your obedience to God impacting or changing others?

*Colossians 3:23-24 NIV - [23] Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, [24] since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. **It is the Lord Christ you are serving.***

- Do not allow the actions of others to prevent you from fulfilling your assignment
- What you do in the kingdom is always for God's glory

What excuse have you used to abandon your assignment and stop serving?

QUESTION

How can God use you for his glory?

DECLARATION

Use me God For your glory, help me be a disciple!

PRAYER

Father God, forgive me for chasing after things and not You. Keep my heart pure and humble so that I can rightfully serve You. Keep me from dishonoring You with impure motives and intentions. Show me my Ananias and those You have assigned to me. I will honor You with my service and obedience in Jesus' name, Amen!